

**MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY FORM**

NR Eligible: yes ☐
no ☐

Property Name: Prince Frederick High School Inventory Number: CT-752
Address: 655 Main Street (MD 765) Historic district: ☐ yes ☒ no
City: Prince Frederick Zip Code: 20678 County: Calvert
USGS Quadrangle(s): Prince Frederick
Property Owner: The 142 Corporation of Prince Frederick Tax Account ID Number: 036045
Tax Map Parcel Number(s): 457 Tax Map Number: 24
Project: Prince Frederick Proposed Tower Project Agency: Maryland Department of Budget and Manage
Agency Prepared By: A.D. Marble & Company
Preparer's Name: Emma Young Date Prepared: 7/21/2006
Documentation is presented in: Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties form, CT-752, on file at the Maryland Historical Trust, Crownsville, Maryland
Preparer's Eligibility Recommendation: ☒ Eligibility recommended ☐ Eligibility not recommended
Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G
Complete if the property is a contributing or non-contributing resource to a NR district/property:
Name of the District/Property: _____
Inventory Number: _____ Eligible: ☐ yes Listed: ☐ yes
Site visit by MHT Staff ☐ yes ☒ no Name: _____ Date: _____

Description of Property and Justification: *(Please attach map and photo)*

Architectural Description

The Prince Frederick High School, located at 655 Main Street in Prince Frederick, Calvert County, Maryland, is a two-story, circa-1920, frame, hipped-roof, Federal-Revival-style school building situated on the west side of Main Street. The original square footprint remains intact, and the building is oriented on an east-west axis. The property consists of approximately 4.16 acres and is bordered on the north, south, and east sides by dense, mature tree cover. The building contains minor alterations and stands in relatively good condition.

A hipped roof, sheathed in asphalt shingles, caps the building, which sits upon a rusticated concrete block foundation. An interior, brick chimney pierces the northern slope of the roof. The exterior of the building is clad in aluminum siding. The east elevation features five bays. Six-over-six light, double-hung sash, wooden windows primarily light the interior. The east (front) elevation windows feature inoperable, vinyl, paneled shutters. A large palladian window is situated above the main entry of the building, which occupies the center bay. A modern wooden ramp leads from the semi-circular drive to the main entry, which consists of a set of double-leaf, wooden, pane-and-panel doors. A seven-over-seven-light transom caps the entry.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended ☒ Eligibility not recommended ☐

Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D Considerations: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

MHT Comments:

Andrew Lewis
Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services

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Reviewer, National Register Program

8/15/06
Date

8/14/06
Date

200602581

History

Prior to World War I, the parents of Calvert County children who desired a high school education for their children had to send them out of the county, either to private schools, such as Charlotte Hall or Saint Mary's Female Seminary, or to public schools located in cities such as Washington or Baltimore. Identifying the need for a public high school in Calvert County, the Board of Education officially approved the building of the Prince Frederick High School during the February 8, 1921 board meeting. The two-story school building accommodated the primary grades on the first floor, while high school classes were held on the second floor. Three years later, on June 14, 1924, the school held its first graduation ceremony.

Ten years after the school building's completion, class size exceeded the building's capacity. High school classes moved to another location, while the building solely housed elementary school students. For over three decades, the school building has functioned as the Prince Frederick Masonic Lodge No. 142. (For a detailed architectural description, history, and list of references, see the Maryland Inventory of Historic Properties form, CT-752, on file at the Maryland Historical Trust, Crownsville, Maryland).

Statement of Significance

The Prince Frederick High School, located at 655 Main Street in Prince Frederick, Calvert County, Maryland, retains architectural integrity from the period of significance (1921-1935). It is locally significant as the only early twentieth-century, two-story school building in Calvert County and the first high school in Prince Frederick. The Prince Frederick High School is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places.

The quality of significance in American history, architecture, archeology, engineering, and culture is present in districts, sites, buildings, structures, and objects that possess integrity of design, location, setting, materials, workmanship, association, and feeling, and:

- A. that are associated with events that have made a significant contribution to the broad patterns of our history; or
- B. that are associated with the lives of significant persons in our past; or
- C. that embody the distinctive characteristics of a type, period, or method of construction, or that represent the work of a master, or that possess high artistic values, or that represent a significant and distinguishable entity whose components may lack individual distinction; or
- D. that have yielded or may be likely to yield information important in history or prehistory.

The Central Industrial School is eligible for listing in the National Register of Historic Places under Criterion A as a local physical attestation to the growth of public education in Calvert County. A growing interest in public education following World War I led to the establishment of high school classes in Calvert County. This interest resulted in the Prince Frederick High School, the earliest two-story school building and first high school in the area. The building accommodated both primary grades and high school classes. Furthermore, in 1983, the Prince Frederick High School was determined eligible by the Maryland Historical Trust under Criterion A for the school building's reflection of the growth of public education in Calvert County during the 1920s. (See Determination of Eligibility Review Form, CT-752, on file at the Maryland Historical Trust, Crownsville, Maryland).

The property is not eligible under Criterion B as it has no known association with individuals of historical importance.

The Prince Frederick High School is eligible for listing under Criterion C as a locally significant example of a Federal-Revival school building. The building stands two-story in height and features a hipped roof; a shallow, unadorned cornice; singly placed,

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended _____

Eligibility not recommended _____

Criteria: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D Considerations: ___ A ___ B ___ C ___ D ___ E ___ F ___ G

MHT Comments:

Reviewer, Office of Preservation Services_____
Date_____
Reviewer, National Register Program_____
Date

one-over-nine light, double-hung sash, wooden windows; a prominent main entry; and a centrally located Palladian window on the second story. The exterior contains few elaborations except for the enclosed main entry, Palladian window, and an interior, brick chimney; all of which are character-defining features of the Federal style.

The property was not evaluated for eligibility under Criterion D as part of the current investigation.

The Prince Frederick High School retains integrity from the period of significance (1921-1935). The original footprint remains intact and unaltered, which supports integrity of design. The building retains its original windows, chimney stack, and prominent entry, which contributes to integrity of workmanship. The property on which the building sits comprises over 4 acres, which are surrounded by woodland and low-density housing. Therefore, the property retains integrity of setting and location. The building continues to convey the appearance of an early twentieth-century school, which supports integrity of association. The original wooden clapboard that once sheathed the exterior has been replaced by aluminum siding, which compromises integrity of materials. However, the combination of integrity of design, workmanship, association, setting, and location contribute to the building's retention of integrity of feeling. Therefore, the Prince Frederick High School retains integrity of design, workmanship, setting, location, association, and feeling, all of which result in the property's eligibility for listing in the National Register.

MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST REVIEW

Eligibility recommended _____

Eligibility not recommended _____

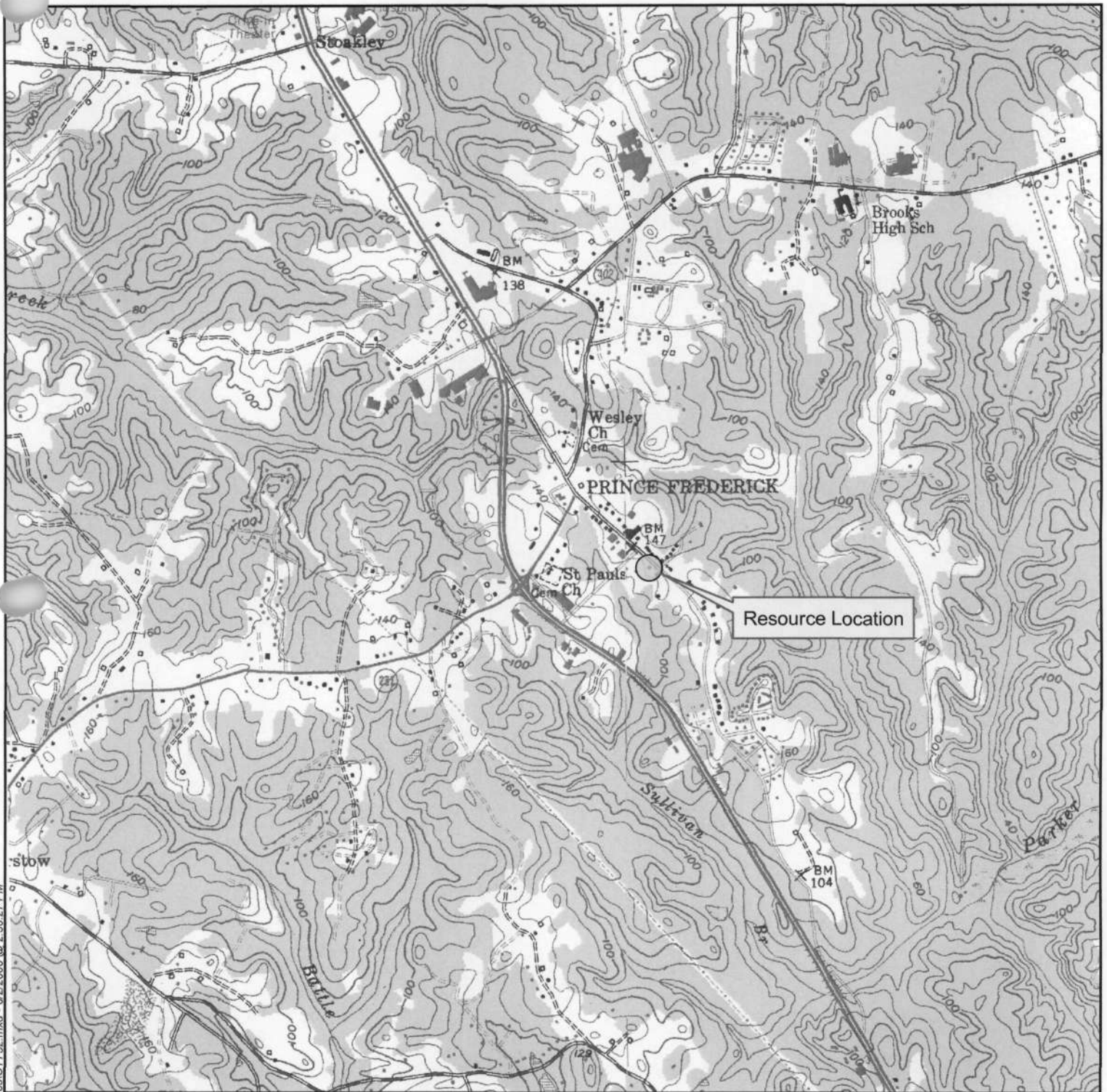
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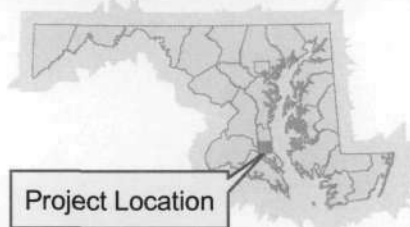
Prince Frederick High School (CT-752)

Calvert County, Maryland



1:24,000

2,000 0 2,000 Feet



Project Location

Source: USGS 7.5' Topographic Quadrangle (Prince Frederick, MD)



CT-752

PRINCE FREDERICK HIGH SCHOOL

CALVERT COUNTY, MD

E. YOUNG

JULY 2006

MD SHPO

EAST & SOUTH ELEVATION, VIEW TO NORTHWEST

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CT-752

PRINCE Frederick High School

Calvert County, MD

E. YOUNG

July 2006

MD SHPO

east & south elevations, view to NW

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Prince Frederick High School

Calvert County, MD

E. YOUNG

July 2006

MD SHPO

South i east elevations, view to northwest

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Prince Frederick High School

Calvert County, MD

E. YOUNG

July 2006

MD SHPO

West (rear) elevation, view to east

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CT-752

Prince Frederick High School

Calvert County, MD

E. YOUNG

July 2006

MD SHPO

North & east elevations, view to southwest

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Prince Frederick
MASONIC LODGE

No 142



AF/AM

Chartered May 10th 1899
STATED COMM. 2nd - 4th WED.
7:30 PM EXCEPT JULY & AUGUST

CT-752

Prince Frederick High School
Calvert County, MD

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July 2006

MD SHPO

Masonic Lodge Sign on east lawn, view to west

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CT-752
MASONIC HALL
(Early 20th Century)
Prince Frederick
Public

This large two-story structure faces east. The five-bay facade includes a one-story central entrance section. An elaborate palladian window occupies the second floor's central bay.

CT-752

Prince Frederick High School

(1921)

Prince Frederick

Private

The Prince Frederick High School is significant as the first high school in Prince Frederick. It is architecturally significant as an example of early twentieth century Georgian Revival-influenced school design. The wood-framed, two-story, hip-roofed building has a symmetrical five-bay facade featuring a central vestibule and second-story Palladian window. Fenestration consists of tall nine over nine, double-hung windows.

MARYLAND COMPREHENSIVE STATE PRESERVATION PLAN DATA

Prince Frederick High School (CT-752)

a) Historical Period Theme: Social/Education/Cultural

b) Geographic Organization: Western Shore

c) Chronological/Developmental Period:

Industrial/Urban Dominance, A.D. 1870-1930

Category: building

Historic Environment: village

Historic Function(s) and Use(s): school

Known Design Source: none

Maryland Historical Trust

State Historic Sites Inventory Form

MARYLAND INVENTORY OF
HISTORIC PROPERTIES

Survey No. CT-752

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name

historic Prince Frederick High School (preferred)

and/or common Prince Frederick Masonic Lodge No. 142 AF & AM

2. Location

street & number 655 Main Street

☐ not for publication

city, town Prince Frederick

☐ vicinity of

congressional district

state Maryland

county Calvert

3. Classification

Category

☐ district

☒ building(s)

☐ structure

☐ site

☐ object

Ownership

☐ public

☒ private

☐ both

Public Acquisition

☐ in process

☐ being considered

☒ not applicable

Status

☒ occupied

☐ unoccupied

☐ work in progress

Accessible

☒ yes: restricted

☐ yes: unrestricted

☐ no

Present Use

☐ agriculture

☐ commercial

☐ educational

☐ entertainment

☐ government

☐ industrial

☐ military

☐ museum

☐ park

☐ private residence

☐ religious

☐ scientific

☐ transportation

☒ other:
Masonic Lodge

4. Owner of Property

name 142 Corporation of Prince Frederick, Inc.

street & number c/o Elliott Scheckells

telephone no.: unlisted

city, town Huntingtown

state and zip code MD 20639

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Circuit Court Clerk's Office

liber ABE 336

street & number 175 Main Street

folio 229

city, town Prince Frederick

state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title Determination of Eligibility - Prince Frederick High School

date 1/31/1983

☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☒ local

depository for survey records Maryland Historical Trust

city, town Crownsville

state Maryland

7. Description

Survey No. CT-752

Condition

☐ excellent

☒ good

☐ fair

☐ deteriorated

☐ ruins

☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered

☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site

☐ moved

date of move _____

The old Prince Frederick High School is located on the west side of Main Street south of the County Courthouse in Prince Frederick, Maryland. It is situated on a slight rise above the road with a semicircular driveway providing access to the front of the building. The rear of the site slopes downwards to woodlands.

The school building is of wood-framed construction and stands two stories high above a basement of concrete and rock-faced concrete block. The east facade is ordered symmetrically with a central projecting vestibule. This vestibule which is reached by concrete steps and a modern handicapped ramp has double, four-light, two-panel doors surmounted by a 14-light transom. The doors are flanked by double pilasters that provide ornamental support for a deep, molded cornice. The second floor of the central bay contains a Palladian window. Its central 12 over 12 sash is topped by a semicircular six-light window, and the central window is flanked by narrow 4 over 6 sash windows. Pilasters, similar to those flanking the entrance, frame the sidelights and support a broken cornice with a keystone arch above the central window.

The two bays that flank the central bay of the facade are defined by large nine over nine, double hung sash windows in both the first and second story. The front (east portion) of the block projects a single bay from the wider, rear portion of the building. Side walls of the building are also fenestrated with nine over nine, double hung sash windows. A steel fire escape extends along the north wall of the front portion of the block and provides access to a steel fire door in the east wall of the rear portion of the block. The concrete foundation is exposed along the side and rear walls of the building with textured concrete blocks used on the south elevation. The basement was originally illuminated by windows, but most of these windows have been boarded over. The walls of the building are sheathed in cement-asbestos shingles, and the roof junction is marked by a molded, sheet metal cornice. The shallow, hipped roof is clad in standing seam metal, and a tall, square stove chimney projects from the north slope of the roof.

8. Significance

Survey No. CT-752

Period	Areas of Significance--Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistory	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
<input type="checkbox"/> 1400-1499	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-historic	<input type="checkbox"/> conservation	<input type="checkbox"/> law	<input type="checkbox"/> science
<input type="checkbox"/> 1500-1599	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> economics	<input type="checkbox"/> literature	<input type="checkbox"/> sculpture
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<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> 1900-	<input type="checkbox"/> communications	<input type="checkbox"/> industry	<input type="checkbox"/> politics/government	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
		<input type="checkbox"/> invention		<input type="checkbox"/> other (specify)

Specific dates 1921

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☒ A ☐ B ☒ C ☐ D
 and/or
 Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G
 Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☒ local

The former Prince Frederick High School building is significant for both its architecture and its historic association with the development of public education in Calvert County. Architecturally, the school is an example of simple, Georgian Revival-influenced school design. It is the only two-story early twentieth century school in Calvert County. This design was chosen to accommodate the primary grades on the first floor and the high school classes above.

The high school has historic significance in reflecting the growth of public education in Calvert County during the 1920s. Before the World War I, parents of Calvert County children who desired a high school education for their children had to send them out of the county, either to private schools, such as Charlotte Hall and Saint Mary's Female Seminary, or to cities such as Washington and Baltimore where children lived with relatives while attending public school.

Planning for the Prince Frederick High School began at the August 5, 1919 meeting of the Board of Education during which a committee was appointed for the purpose of erecting a high school in Prince Frederick. This committee consisted of George D. Turner, chairman; Superintendent T.G. Bennett, secretary; and members William E. Northam, Thomas Parran, John B. Gray, Perry P. Owings and Stanley Sutherland.

The contract for the building of the Prince Frederick High School was approved during the February 8, 1921 board meeting. The contract was awarded to Lyons and Gibson for the sum of \$26,000. The architect for the school was Walter M. Gieske. At the July 21, 1921 board meeting, John G. Rouse was selected as the first principal of the high school. He served for two years and was followed by Jesse P. Puillen.

The Board officially accepted the high school from the contractor on December 16, 1921. The school's first graduation ceremony was held on June 14, 1924.

Frances G. Stevens described the school in her *History of Education in Calvert County, Maryland*:

Prince Frederick School was a two story building...to house both a two- or three-teacher high school on the second floor and a two-teacher elementary school on the ground floor. It also had rooms for an office, a library, and--a great innovation--boys' and girls' bathrooms. Its distinctive feature was a fire escape, a cylindrical chute like a huge hollow caterpillar, shooting children from second floor to ground outside in a swift stream.

Another innovation in this school was its central heating system with a coal-burning furnace, and a water system supplying radiators and bathrooms from its own drilled artesian well (Stevens 1976:29-30).

Soon after its completion, residents and county officials realized that the building was too small to accommodate needs. After little more than 10 years at the original location, the high school moved to a larger building elsewhere in Prince Frederick, later used as the Prince Frederick Elementary School.

9. Major Bibliographical References

Survey No. CT-752

Calvert County Board of Education. Minutes on file at Brooks Administrative Center. Prince Frederick.
Kurtze, Peter. Determination of Eligibility, Prince Frederick High School. MHT 1/83.
Stevens, Frances G. "A History of Education in Calvert County, MD." 1976.

10. Geographical Data

Acreage of nominated property 4.16

Quadrangle name Prince Frederick, MD

Quadrangle scale 1:24,000

UTM References do NOT complete UTM references

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Zone Easting Northing

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Verbal boundary description and justification

Map 24, Parcel 1457. This represents the parcel to which the present owner holds title.

List all states and counties for properties overlapping state or county boundaries

state	code	county	code
state	code	county	code

11. Form Prepared By

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date May 1998

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state PA

The Maryland Historic Sites Inventory was officially created by an Act of the Maryland Legislature to be found in the Annotated Code of Maryland, Article 41, Section 181 KA, 1974 supplement.

The survey and inventory are being prepared for information and record purposes only and do not constitute any infringement of individual property rights.

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MARYLAND HISTORICAL TRUST
DHCP/DHCD
100 COMMUNITY PLACE
CROWNSVILLE, MD 21032
(301-514-7600)

Maryland Historical Trust State Historic Sites Inventory Form

Magi No.

DOE ☐ yes ☐ no

1. Name (indicate preferred name)

historic Old Prince Frederick High School

and/or common Prince Frederick Masonic Lodge

2. Location

street & number (Maryland Route 765) Main Street ☐ not for publicationcity, town Prince Frederick ☐ vicinity of congressional district

state Maryland county Calvert

3. Classification

Category	Ownership	Status	Present Use	
<input type="checkbox"/> district	<input type="checkbox"/> public	<input type="checkbox"/> occupied	<input type="checkbox"/> agriculture	<input type="checkbox"/> museum
<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> building(s)	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> private	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> unoccupied	<input type="checkbox"/> commercial	<input type="checkbox"/> park
<input type="checkbox"/> structure	<input type="checkbox"/> both	<input type="checkbox"/> work in progress	<input type="checkbox"/> educational	<input type="checkbox"/> private residence
<input type="checkbox"/> site	Public Acquisition	Accessible	<input type="checkbox"/> entertainment	<input type="checkbox"/> religious
<input type="checkbox"/> object	<input type="checkbox"/> in process	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> yes: restricted	<input type="checkbox"/> government	<input type="checkbox"/> scientific
	<input type="checkbox"/> being considered	<input type="checkbox"/> yes: unrestricted	<input type="checkbox"/> industrial	<input type="checkbox"/> transportation
	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> not applicable	<input type="checkbox"/> no	<input type="checkbox"/> military	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> other: vacant

4. Owner of Property (give names and mailing addresses of all owners)

name Prince Frederick Lodge #142

street & number telephone no.:

city, town Prince Frederick state and zip code Maryland 20678

5. Location of Legal Description

courthouse, registry of deeds, etc. Calvert County Courthouse liber

street & number Main Street (MD 765) folio

city, town Prince Frederick state Maryland

6. Representation in Existing Historical Surveys

title

date ☐ federal ☐ state ☐ county ☐ local

depository for survey records

city, town state

7. Description

Survey No. CT-752

Condition

☐ excellent
☒ good
☐ fair

☐ deteriorated
☐ ruins
☐ unexposed

Check one

☐ unaltered
☒ altered

Check one

☒ original site
☐ moved date of move _____

Prepare both a summary paragraph and a general description of the resource and its various elements as it exists today.

This early twentieth-century lodge building faces east onto Maryland Route 765. It is set on a molded concrete foundation. It is a two-story framed and weatherboarded structure with a low hipped roof. The five-bay facade is dominated by an advanced one-story entrance bay on which transomed double doors are flanked by paired Doric pilasters and surmounted by a classical cornice. Above this entrance is a classical three-part Palladian window. These features of the central bay are flanked on both sides by symmetrical arrangements of large-scaled nine-over-nine double-hung-sash windows. There are almost no windows or doors on the sides or rear of this building. This building is for sale.

8. Significance

Survey No. CT-752

Period	Areas of Significance—Check and justify below			
<input type="checkbox"/> prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> archeology-prehistoric	<input type="checkbox"/> community planning	<input type="checkbox"/> landscape architecture	<input type="checkbox"/> religion
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Specific dates

Builder/Architect

check: Applicable Criteria: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D
and/or

Applicable Exception: ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D ☐ E ☐ F ☐ G

Level of Significance: ☐ national ☐ state ☐ local

Prepare both a summary paragraph of significance and a general statement of history and support.

Directed historical research would more firmly establish the historical significance of this site.

INVENTORY FORM FOR STATE HISTORIC SITES SURVEY

1 NAME

HISTORIC

Masonic Hall

AND/OR COMMON

2 LOCATION

STREET & NUMBER

Route 765

CITY, TOWN

Prince Frederick

VICINITY OF

STATE

Maryland

CONGRESSIONAL DISTRICT

COUNTY

Calvert**3 CLASSIFICATION**

CATEGORY

☐ DISTRICT☒ BUILDING(S)☐ STRUCTURE☐ SITE☐ OBJECT

OWNERSHIP

☐ PUBLIC☐ PRIVATE☒ BOTH

PUBLIC ACQUISITION

☐ IN PROCESS☐ BEING CONSIDERED

STATUS

☐ OCCUPIED☐ UNOCCUPIED☐ WORK IN PROGRESS

ACCESSIBLE

☐ YES: RESTRICTED☐ YES: UNRESTRICTED☒ NO

PRESENT USE

☐ AGRICULTURE☐ COMMERCIAL☐ EDUCATIONAL☐ ENTERTAINMENT☐ GOVERNMENT☐ INDUSTRIAL☐ MILITARY☐ MUSEUM☐ PARK☐ PRIVATE RESIDENCE☐ RELIGIOUS☐ SCIENTIFIC☐ TRANSPORTATION☐ OTHER:**4 OWNER OF PROPERTY**

NAME

Telephone #:

STREET & NUMBER

CITY, TOWN

VICINITY OF

STATE, zip code

5 LOCATION OF LEGAL DESCRIPTIONCOURTHOUSE,
REGISTRY OF DEEDS, ETC.Calvert County

Liber #:

Folio #:

STREET & NUMBER

Route 765

CITY, TOWN

Prince Frederick

STATE

MD**6 REPRESENTATION IN EXISTING SURVEYS**

TITLE

DATE

☐ FEDERAL ☐ STATE ☐ COUNTY ☐ LOCALDEPOSITORY FOR
SURVEY RECORDS

CITY, TOWN

STATE

7 DESCRIPTION

CT-752

CONDITION

☐ EXCELLENT
☐ GOOD
☐ FAIR

☐ DETERIORATED
☐ RUINS
☐ UNEXPOSED

CHECK ONE

☐ UNALTERED
☐ ALTERED

CHECK ONE

☐ ORIGINAL SITE
☐ MOVED DATE _____

DESCRIBE THE PRESENT AND ORIGINAL (IF KNOWN) PHYSICAL APPEARANCE

This large two-story structure faces east. The five-bay facade includes a one-story central entrance section. An elaborate palladian window occupies the second floor's central bay.

Nine over nine sash windows light the building. It is covered with asbestos shingles. The structure stands on a rock-faced concrete block foundation.

CONTINUE ON SEPARATE SHEET IF NECESSARY

8 SIGNIFICANCE

PERIOD

☐ PREHISTORIC
☐ 1400-1499
☐ 1500-1599
☐ 1600-1699
☐ 1700-1799
☐ 1800-1899
☐ 1900-

☐ ARCHEOLOGY-PREHISTORIC
☐ ARCHEOLOGY-HISTORIC
☐ AGRICULTURE
☐ ARCHITECTURE
☐ ART
☐ COMMERCE
☐ COMMUNICATIONS

AREAS OF SIGNIFICANCE -- CHECK AND JUSTIFY BELOW

☐ COMMUNITY PLANNING
☐ CONSERVATION
☐ ECONOMICS
☐ EDUCATION
☐ ENGINEERING
☐ EXPLORATION/SETTLEMENT
☐ INDUSTRY
☐ INVENTION

☐ LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTURE
☐ LAW
☐ LITERATURE
☐ MILITARY
☐ MUSIC
☐ PHILOSOPHY
☐ POLITICS/GOVERNMENT

☐ RELIGION
☐ SCIENCE
☐ SCULPTURE
☐ SOCIAL/HUMANITARIAN
☐ THEATER
☐ TRANSPORTATION
☐ OTHER (SPECIFY)

SPECIFIC DATES

early 20th century

BUILDER/ARCHITECT

STATEMENT OF SIGNIFICANCE

Further research is needed to determine this building's historical significance.

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9 MAJOR BIBLIOGRAPHICAL REFERENCES

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DETERMINATION OF ELIGIBILITY

OLD PRINCE FREDERICK HIGH SCHOOL AND SUPERINTENDENT'S HOUSE
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DESCRIPTION

The ca. 1922 old Prince Frederick High School is located on the west side of Main Street in Prince Frederick, seat of Calvert County, Maryland. The building is of frame construction and stands two stories high above a low basement of concrete and rock-faced concrete block. The principal (east) facade is five bays wide and is ordered symmetrically: on the first floor, two large 9/9 sash windows are located on either side of the projecting entrance vestibule. The flat-roofed vestibule has double doors with a 14-light transom; double pilasters support a deep, molded cornice. The central bay of the second story holds a large Palladian window, with tall, narrow 4/6 windows flanking a round-headed 18/12 sash. Pilasters like those flanking the entrance frame the sidelights, and support a broken cornice, with a key-stoned arch atop the large central window. Nine-over-nine sash windows define the bays on either side of the central Palladian window, aligned with those below. A shallow, metal-clad hip roof rises above the deep, molded building cornice. The building is three bays deep; lower hip-roofed wings project a very short distance from the sides, toward the rear of the building. The side elevations are lighted by two 9/9 sash on each story; the north wing has a second-story exit and fire escape.

The building is currently clad in asbestos shingles. Its current use as a Masonic Lodge has resulted in negligible alteration. Adjacent to the school on the south is the superintendent's house, a frame "foursquare" dwelling constructed ca. 1926. The house is a two-story cube with a steep hip roof, two bays wide. A one-story porch, its ample hip roof supported on paired columns, spans the principal (east) facade, sheltering the entrance in the left bay and a triple 6/1 window in the right. The second story is lighted by a double 6/1 window in each of its two bays. A six-light hipped dormer pierces the east slope of the roof. The building is sheathed in narrow clapboards and is maintained in excellent condition.

SIGNIFICANCE

The old Prince Frederick High School is significant for its architecture, and for its historic association with the development of public education in Calvert County. Architecturally, the building represents an example of early twentieth century Georgian Revival-influenced school design. Its two-story height is unique among early 20th century schools in Calvert County, and reflects its original function to house the primary grades on the first floor and high school classes above. Its architectural detailing is particularly ambitious, and suggests the influence of grand eighteenth-century designs such as Charles Bulfinch's Harrison Gray Otis House in Boston;

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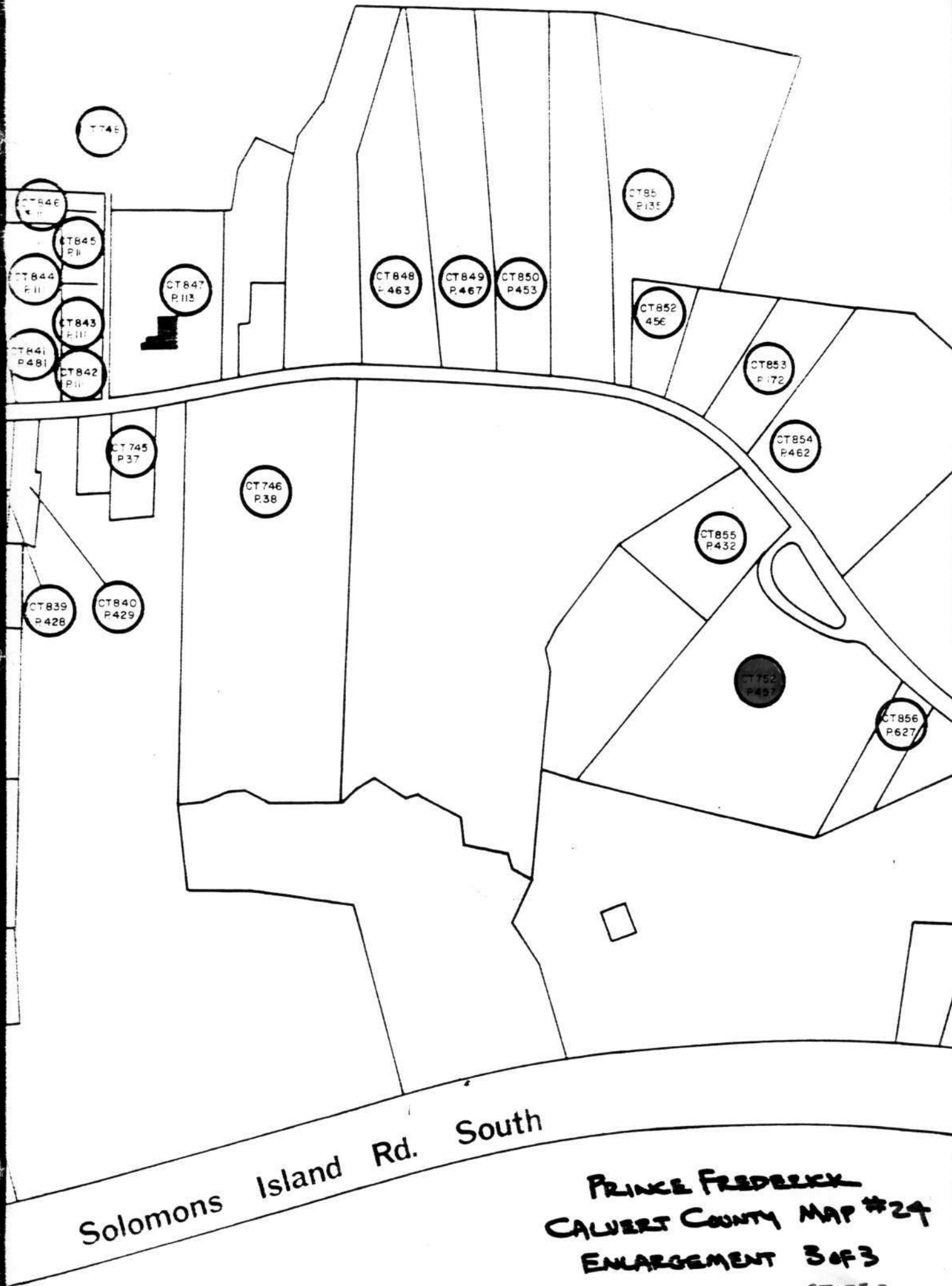
the effect is to convey an impression of the building's status as the first public high school in Calvert County.

The school building and superintendent's house have historic significance in reflecting the growth of public education in Calvert County during the 1920's. Before the first World War, parents who desired a high school education for their children had to send them out of the County, either to private schools such as Charlotte Hall and Saint Mary's Female Seminary in St. Mary's County, or to the cities of Washington or Baltimore, where the children lived with relatives while attending the city public high schools. A growing interest in public education following World War I led to the establishment of high school classes, which were held in the old Public Library (now moved and incorporated into a new building) in Prince Frederick until the High School was completed. The school originally served both primary grades and high school classes.

The superintendent's house reflects the growth of the County school system. By the mid-1920's, the system of public education in Calvert County had expanded to the point at which a full-time administrator was necessary.

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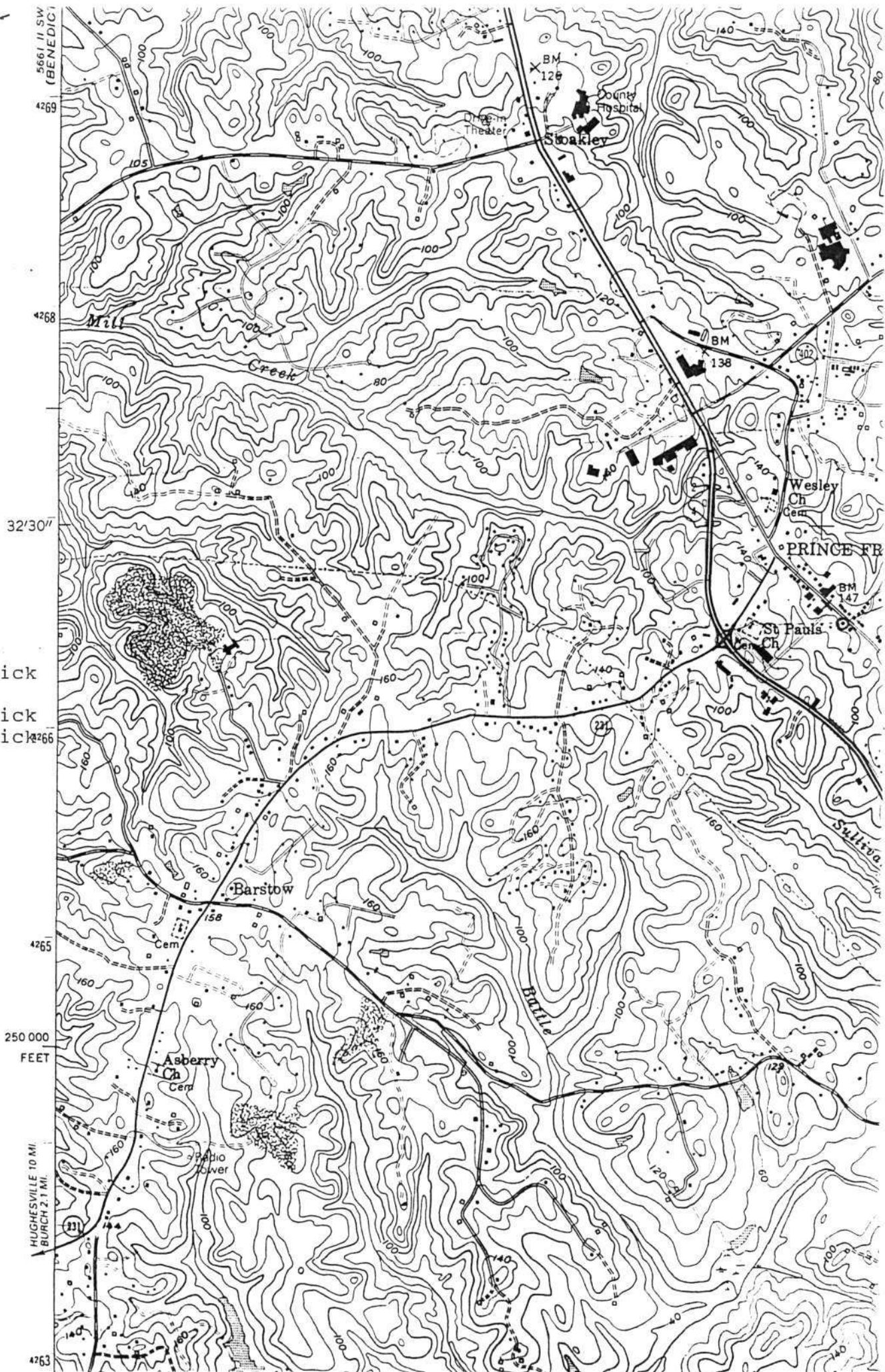
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Prince Frederick
High School
Prince Frederick
Prince Frederick
quadrangle



OLD PRINCE FREDERICK HIGH SCHOOL
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The first high school in Calvert County
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School for all grades
in the 1920's



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Prince Frederick High School

Calvert Maryland

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March 1902

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N.E. facade Howard St

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